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PHYSICAL EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Central Advisory Board of Education hasrecommended to make the Physical Education compulsory in allthe schools;

(b) If so, the details thereof;

(c) The number of schools in each State/Union Territory where physical education has been made compulsory; and

(d) The steps proposed to be taken by the union Government for the effective implementation of these recommendations in all the States?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN)

(a) : Yes, Dir.

(b): Central Advisory Board of Education (CABE) Committee on Sports and Physical Education constituted in May, 1993 inter alia recommended that sports and Physical Education be made a compulsory subject in schools and colleges, annual fitness test be enforced in all educational institutions, assign 40 minutes daily for physical education and sports, organize mass participation activities and ensure optimal utilization of play rounds and the building facilities available in education institutions.

(c) : Like all other areas of education, school education including physical education in schools is a concurrent subject and implementation of which is a major responsibility of the States/Union Territories. The recommendations of the CABE Committee have been referred to State and Union Territories for necessary follow up action.

(d): Physical education forms one of the core subjects upto class X so far as the National Policy on Education and National Curriculum Framework are concerned. To ensure implementation of the recommendations of the CABE Committee, the Department of Education constituted a monitoring Committee to review the progress of implementation and suggest specific measures to the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti and individual states/union territories.